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SUBJECT: FRG STATEMENT ON THE NEUTRON WEAPON

1. FRG SPOKESMAN BOELLING ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATE-
MENT THE AFTERNOON OF FEBRUARY 23:
2. QUOTE. THE FORTHCOMING DECISION ON THE PRODUCTION
OF THE NEUTRON WEAPON FALLS IN THE EXCLUSIVE COMPETENCE

OF THE U.S. IN KEEPING WITH PREVIOUS PRACTICE, DECI-
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PROVINCE OF THE RELEVANT NUCLEAR NATIONS. THE STATES
WITHOUT
NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THE ALLIANCE, WHICH INCLUDE THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DO NOT TAKE PART IN SUCH
PRODUCTION DECISIONS.

3. QUESTIONS OF INTRODUCING MODERNIZED WEAPONS IN THE

DEFENSIVE ARSENAL (POTENTIAL) OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE ARE, ON THE CONTRARY, THE SUBJECT OF ALLIANCE CONSULTATIONS. IN THIS CONTEXT, THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITY OF THE ALLIANCE AND THE POSSIBILITIES FOR PROGRESS IN ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE EXAMINED.

4. THE ALLIANCE, WHICH SERVES ONLY A DEFENSIVE PURPOSE, BASES ITS DECISIONS ON ITS OWN SECURITY REQUIREMENTS. IT HAS ALSO LEFT NO DOUBT OF THE IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO PROGRESS IN DISARMAMENT AND IN ARMS CONTROL.

5. THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC PLEDGES THAT ALL AVAILABLE POSSIBILITIES FOR PROGRESS IN ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE USED, BEARING IN MIND ALSO THE ARMAMENTS DEVELOPMENT BY THE EASTERN SIDE' BEFORE THE MATTER OF THE ACTUAL STATIONING OF THE NEUTRON WEAPON IN EUROPE WOULD ARISE.

6. THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC TO CONSULTATIONS WILL BE DETERMINED BY ITS VITAL INTEREST AND BY ITS RESPONSIBILITY IN THE FIELD OF DEFENSE AND OF ASSURING PEACE. END QUOTE
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